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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED OCTOBER 6, 2004

In response to the Office Action dated October 6, 2004, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on January 6, 2005, please enter this response and reconsider the claims pending in the application for reasons discussed below. While no fees are believed due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge counsel's Deposit Account No. 09-0465 for any fees, including extension of time fees or excess claim fees, required to make this response timely and acceptable to the Office.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper. Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 7 of this paper and include both an attached replacement sheet and an annotated sheet showing changes. Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.